

**NOTICE OF APPEAL FROM THE EXAMINER TO THE
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Docket Number (Optional)

MERCK-2986

In re Application of
Robert HAMMOND-SMITH ET AL.

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Applicant hereby appeals to the Board of Patent Appeals and Interferences from the decision of the examiner dated, June 15, 2007, rejecting the following claims: 1-36.

The fee for this Notice of Appeal is (37 CFR 1.17(b)) \$ 510.00.

Applicant claims small entity status. See 37 CFR 1.27. Therefore, the fee shown above is reduced by half, and the resulting fee is: \$ _____.

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 assignee of record of the entire interest. See 37 CFR 3.71.

Statement under 37 CFR 3.73(b) is enclosed.

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October 15, 2007

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